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Sir:

This is in response to a Final Office action mailed on May 23, 2005, for the above-identified patent application. A Notice of Appeal for this Application was filed on 23 November 2005, and was received by the U.S.P.T.O. on 25 November 2005. Applicants request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying arguments. This response is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination, a request for extension of time within the fifth month, and an authorization to charge the requisite fees to Deposit Account No. 08-3038.